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City of Stockton Accepting Applications for Commissions
City Council Salary Setting Commission, Development Oversight Commission,
Planning Commission Vacancies, San Joaquin County Commission on Aging,
and Stockton Arts Commission

(Stockton, CA) - The City of Stockton is currently accepting applications for the City Council Salary Setting Commission, Development Oversight Commission and the Planning Commission. To be considered for appointment, those interested must submit an application online. A link to the application is available at <a href="https://www.stocktongov.com/bcvacancies">www.stocktongov.com/bcvacancies</a>. The City will be accepting applications until the vacancies are filled.

The Civil Service Commission will be interviewing to make appointments to two (2) positions on the City Council Salary Setting Commission. This five-member Commission makes recommendations to the City Council, regarding salary and benefits for the Mayor and members of the Council for two-year periods. The Commission meets as-needed and makes recommendations between March 1 and April 30 of every odd year. The term of service is for four years. Those serving are limited to two terms. Vacancies are due to the expiration of terms of existing members.

The Planning Commission is a seven-member Commission that serves as an advisory body to the City Council and makes recommendations to the Council on the

General Plan, zoning, code changes, specific plans for streets and highways, redevelopment plans, and conformity of capital improvements with the General Plan. Each member of the City Council nominates a candidate to represent the Council District he or she serves, the Mayor nominates an at-large candidate, and the Council ratifies appointments. Meetings are held at City Hall on the second and fourth Thursday of each month. The term of office coincides with the appointing member of the Council. The Commission is looking to fill one vacancy each from Council Districts 1, 3, and 5.

The Development Oversight Commission (DOC) is an 11-member Commission that serves as an advisory body to the Community Development Department and makes recommendations to the department on how to streamline process time, improve the quality of services, and increase efficiencies related to development within the community. The Commission meets monthly and is appointed by the City Council. The term of services is five years with no term limit. The Commission is looking to fill one vacancy with architect or designer experience.

The San Joaquin County Commission on Aging is a 22-member Commission that serves as advocates for senior citizens and advises both the County Board of Supervisors and the San Joaquin County Department of Aging on issues relating to the senior population. The Stockton City Council appoints one person to serve on this county commission. The Commission also acts as the County Long-Term Care Coordinating Council/Adult Day Health Care Planning Council, and advises the Board of Supervisors on long-term care. Meetings are held the first Monday of each month at the San Joaquin County Human Services Agency. The Commission is looking to fill one vacancy appointed by the Stockton City Council.

The Stockton Arts Commission is a 16-member Commission which meets monthly to discuss ways to encourage, promote and sponsor projects and programs that will further the growth and public awareness of the visual, performing and literary arts in Stockton. The Stockton Arts Commission offers organizational and promotional assistance to artists and art organizations and advises the City Council on the artistic and cultural development of the city. Members are selected from among applicants who, outside of professional practice, are active in arts and cultural activities and who demonstrate interest or accomplishments in fund-raising in one or more of the following art disciplines: music, dance, theater, cinema, photography, architecture, art criticism, textile arts, literary arts, and visual arts. Experience in these disciplines may include, but are not limited to, public or environmental arts, graphic arts, design, drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, ceramics, and art history. The Commission is looking to fill two City Council appointed vacancies.

All applicants must be registered to vote and must live within the city limits of Stockton throughout the term of service, except for applicants for the Development Oversight Commission; applicants for the Development oversight Commission must work within the city of Stockton or with a firm or organization that does business within the city of Stockton. All Planning Commission members must reside in the Council District for which they are appointed, for the entire term of service. To determine if an address is within the city limits and the Council District, please visit <a href="https://www.stocktongov.com/youraddress">www.stocktongov.com/youraddress</a>. Qualified applicants will be notified of the interview date and process.

For questions, please visit <a href="www.stocktongov.com/bcvacancies">www.stocktongov.com/bcvacancies</a> or contact the Office of the City Clerk at (209) 937-8459.

City offices are open Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and every other Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. City offices are closed every other Friday and on observed holidays. City offices will be closed November 11, 14, 27 and 28, 2014.

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